

Dental Services^a-Median and Mean Expenses per Person With Expense and Distribution of Expenses by Source of Payment: United States, 1996
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Population Characteristic	Population (in thousands)	Percent with expense	Per person with an expense		Total Expenses (in millions)	Percent distribution of total expenses by source of payment				
			Median	Mean		Out of pocket	Private insurance ^b	Medicare	Medicaid	Other ^c
Total	268,905	41.8	137	384	43,147	51.5	42.5	0.2*	2.8	3.0
<u>Age in years</u>										
Under 65	234,856	42.2	132	375	37,142	47.7	46.4	0.0*	3.2	2.7
Under 6	23,861	20.7	80	127	624	35.1	48.0	0.0*	14.2	2.6*
6-17	47,634	51.2	123	437	10,642	47.4	45.2	0.0*	4.4	3.0*
18-44	109,149	40.2	125	333	14,625	45.7	48.8	0.0*	3.0	2.4
45-64	54,212	47.9	177	434	11,251	51.1	44.3	0.0*	1.6	2.9
65 and over	34,050	39.0	181	452	6,005	75.1	18.4	1.4*	0.8*	4.3*
<u>Sex</u>										
Male	131,527	38.6	135	371	18,878	50.6	42.9	0.1*	2.8	3.6
Female	137,379	44.9	139	394	24,269	52.1	42.2	0.4*	2.9	2.5
<u>Race/ethnicity</u>										
White and Other	205,258	46.6	143	395	37,808	52.2	42.8	0.1*	2.1	2.7
Black	33,668	25.1	103	311	2,628	46.6	40.0	2.2*	7.7	3.5*
Hispanic	29,979	27.5	107	329	2,710	45.5	40.3	0.2*	8.5	5.5*
<u>Health insurance status^d</u>										
<65, Any private	174,231	49.0	140	390	33,318	46.5	51.7	0.0*	0.3*	1.4
<65, Public only	27,845	26.9	70	207	1,554	26.0	0.0*	0.4*	69.3	4.3*
<65, Uninsured	32,780	19.1	113	362	2,270	79.0	0.0*	0.0*	0.0*	21.0
65+, Medicare only	7,535	29.5	200	493	1,096	84.1	0.0*	5.7*	0.0*	10.2
65+, Medicare and private	22,811	46.3	180	442	4,662	73.5	23.7	0.4*	0.0*	2.5*
65+, Medicare and other public	3,555	14.7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
65+, Missing	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<u>Poverty status^e</u>										
Negative or Poor	38,298	25.4	96	277	2,691	45.4	16.3	0.1*	32.3	5.9
Near-poor	12,946	23.8	112	304	936	56.8	23.5	0.2*	14.2*	5.2*
Low income	40,460	28.8	124	294	3,418	58.2	37.2	0.5*	2.4*	1.7
Middle income	88,262	44.0	136	392	15,226	50.8	44.9	0.4*	0.7*	3.1
High income	88,939	55.3	148	424	20,876	51.4	45.8	0.1*	0.1*	2.5
<u>Metropolitan statistical area (MSA)</u>										
MSA	213,752	43.2	144	406	37,480	50.3	43.9	0.3*	2.7	2.9
Non-MSA	52,419	38.0	116	282	5,621	59.3	33.7	0.0*	3.9	3.0
Missing	2,734	8.9*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<u>Census Region</u>										
Northeast	51,965	43.4	148	450	10,144	56.1	38.0	0.0*	2.9	2.9
Midwest	62,673	48.1	124	321	9,661	44.6	51.5	0.1*	1.7	2.1
South	93,901	36.6	125	349	11,999	59.3	34.6	0.1*	3.0	3.0
West	60,366	42.1	164	447	11,342	44.9	47.2	0.7*	3.5	3.8*

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Total	†	0.7	2	10	1,690	0.9	0.9	0.1*	0.4	0.4
<u>Age in years</u>										
Under 65	†	0.7	3	10	1,566	1.0	1.0	0.0*	0.4	0.4
Under 6	†	1.0	4	9	58	3.4	3.5	0.0*	2.6	0.9*
6-17	†	1.2	4	30	894	2.2	2.1	0.0*	0.7	1.1*
18-44	†	0.8	3	13	727	1.4	1.3	0.0*	0.6	0.5
45-64	†	1.0	7	16	595	1.5	1.5	0.0*	0.5	0.7
65 and over	†	1.4	10	28	441	2.1	1.7	0.9*	0.2*	1.6*
<u>Sex</u>										
Male	†	0.8	3	15	1,022	1.3	1.4	0.0*	0.5	0.7
Female	†	0.7	3	13	1,059	1.2	1.1	0.2*	0.4	0.6
<u>Race/ethnicity</u>										
White and Other	†	0.8	3	11	1,617	1.0	1.0	0.0*	0.4	0.5
Black	†	1.0	6	33	345	3.6	2.9	2.0*	1.9	1.4*
Hispanic	†	1.1	5	25	250	2.8	2.7	0.1*	1.5	2.3*
<u>Health insurance status^d</u>										
<65, Any private	4,618	0.7	3	12	1,523	1.0	1.1	0.0*	0.1*	0.3
<65, Public only	1,401	1.3	5	17	169	4.1	0.0*	0.2*	4.3	1.4*
<65, Uninsured	1,394	1.0	8	36	263	5.0	0.0*	0.0*	0.0*	5.0
65+, Medicare only	480	2.3	37	64	175	4.5	0.0*	4.7*	0.0*	2.4
65+, Medicare and private	906	1.6	12	32	415	2.5	2.0	0.1*	0.0*	1.9*
65+, Medicare and other public	271	2.1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
65+, Missing	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<u>Poverty status^e</u>										
Negative or Poor	†	1.1	7	22	260	4.3	3.0	0.0*	4.3	1.7
Near-poor	†	2.0	11	37	135	5.6	3.7	0.1*	4.6*	2.1*
Low income	†	1.2	8	18	266	2.8	2.7	0.2*	0.8*	0.5
Middle income	†	0.9	4	18	931	1.5	1.6	0.4*	0.3*	0.8
High income	†	0.9	4	17	1,190	1.3	1.3	0.0*	0.1*	0.7
<u>Metropolitan statistical area (MSA)</u>										
MSA	†	0.8	3	11	1,607	1.0	1.0	0.1*	0.4	0.5
Non-MSA	†	1.5	4	16	545	2.2	1.9	0.0*	1.0	0.6
Missing	†	2.9*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<u>Census Region</u>										
Northeast	†	1.5	7	25	874	1.9	1.8	0.0*	0.7	0.8
Midwest	†	1.4	4	20	918	1.9	2.1	0.0*	0.4	0.3
South	†	1.1	4	14	923	1.8	1.6	0.0*	0.7	0.6
West	†	1.3	6	22	635	1.5	1.8	0.5*	0.8	1.3*

a Inpatient hospital and physician services, ambulatory physician and nonphysician services, prescribed medicines, home health services, dental services, and various other medical equipment and services that were purchased or rented during the year are included. Over-the-counter medications, alternative care services, and telephone contacts are excluded.

b Private insurance includes CHAMPUS and CHAMPVA (Armed-Forces-related coverage).

c Other includes other public programs such as Department of Veterans Affairs (except CHAMPVA); other Federal sources (Indian Health Service, military treatment facilities, and other care provided by the Federal Government); other State and local sources (community and neighborhood clinics, State and local health departments, and State programs other than Medicaid); and other public (Medicaid payments reported for persons who were not enrolled in the Medicaid program at any time during the year). Other also includes Worker's Compensation; other unclassified sources (e.g., automobile, homeowner's, liability, and other miscellaneous or unknown sources); and other private insurance (any type of private insurance payments reported for persons without private health insurance coverage during the year, as defined in MEPS).

d Uninsured refers to persons uninsured during the entire year. Public and private health insurance categories refer to individuals with public or private insurance at any time during the period; individuals with both public and private insurance and those with CHAMPUS or CHAMPVA (Armed-Forces-related coverage) are classified as having insurance.

e Poor refers to incomes below the Federal poverty line; near poor, over the poverty line through 125 percent of the poverty line; low income, over 125 percent through 200 percent of the poverty line; middle income, over 200 percent to 400 percent of the poverty line; and high income, over 400 percent of the poverty line.

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<u>Age in years</u>										
Under 65	234,856	38.5	117	270	24,391	44.2	49.5	0.0*	3.7	2.6
Under 6	23,861	18.7	80	124	552	32.4	50.8	0.0*	14.2	2.6*
6-17	47,634	45.5	100	162	3,508	34.8	53.3	0.0*	8.8	3.1
18-44	109,149	36.7	114	275	11,020	42.9	51.7	0.0*	3.3	2.1
45-64	54,212	44.6	158	385	9,311	50.0	45.3	0.1*	1.5*	3.1
65 and over	34,050	36.7	155	382	4,779	73.6	18.7	1.7*	0.9*	5.1*
<u>Sex</u>										
Male	131,527	35.2	120	282	13,058	47.9	44.5	0.0*	2.8	4.7
Female	137,379	41.1	120	285	16,111	49.9	44.4	0.5*	3.5	1.7
<u>Race/ethnicity</u>										
White and Other	205,258	42.9	124	292	25,684	50.3	44.6	0.1*	2.2	2.7
Black	33,668	22.4	94	224	1,688	37.5	46.3	3.4*	8.9	3.9*
Hispanic	29,979	24.2	99	248	1,797	41.3	40.4	0.2*	11.4	6.7*
<u>Health insurance status^d</u>										
<65, Any private	174,231	45.0	120	278	21,770	42.9	55.4	0.0*	0.2*	1.4
<65, Public only	27,845	23.9	67	176	1,173	22.5	0.0*	0.3*	72.0	5.2*
<65, Uninsured	32,780	16.3	110	270	1,447	81.4	0.0*	0.0*	0.0*	18.6
65+, Medicare only	7,535	28.3	186	431	920	82.5	0.0*	6.7*	0.0*	10.9
65+, Medicare and private	22,811	43.3	148	367	3,630	71.9	24.6	0.4*	0.0*	3.1*
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<u>Poverty status^e</u>										
Negative or Poor	38,298	22.2	92	225	1,916	39.5	16.2	0.1*	37.2	7.0*
Near-poor	12,946	22.0	105	248	708	57.0	27.7	0.2*	11.5*	3.6*
Low income	40,460	26.0	110	237	2,493	53.0	42.1	0.6*	2.4	1.9
Middle income	88,262	40.5	122	282	10,088	48.3	46.7	0.6*	0.6	3.9
High income	88,939	50.9	127	309	13,964	49.7	48.0	0.1*	0.2*	2.1
<u>Metropolitan statistical area (MSA)</u>										
MSA	213,752	39.5	124	298	25,161	47.6	45.8	0.4*	3.2	3.0
Non-MSA	52,419	34.6	102	219	3,966	57.7	36.4	0.0*	3.0	2.9
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Midwest	62,673	45.0	110	225	6,337	44.7	50.5	0.1*	2.0	2.7
South	93,901	33.3	109	258	8,058	56.8	37.8	0.1*	2.5	2.8
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Total	†	0.7	2	7	1,068	0.9	1.0	0.2*	0.5	0.4
<u>Age in years</u>										
Under 65	†	0.7	2	7	955	1.0	1.1	0.0*	0.6	0.4
Under 6	†	1.0	4	9	55	3.4	3.7	0.0*	2.8	0.9*
6-17	†	1.2	3	7	193	2.0	2.3	0.0*	1.5	0.8
18-44	†	0.8	2	12	592	1.3	1.4	0.0*	0.7	0.3
45-64	†	1.0	6	15	511	1.5	1.5	0.0*	0.5*	0.8
65 and over	†	1.3	8	25	375	2.4	1.7	1.1*	0.3*	2.0*
<u>Sex</u>										
Male	†	0.8	3	11	680	1.3	1.4	0.0*	0.6	0.9
Female	†	0.7	2	8	633	1.2	1.2	0.3*	0.6	0.2
<u>Race/ethnicity</u>										
White and Other	†	0.8	2	8	1,034	1.0	1.1	0.0*	0.5	0.4
Black	†	1.0	6	16	173	2.8	4.0	3.1*	2.2	1.7*
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<65, Any private	4,618	0.7	2	8	954	1.0	1.1	0.0*	0.1*	0.3
<65, Public only	1,401	1.2	4	18	153	3.9	0.0*	0.2*	4.6	1.9*
<65, Uninsured	1,394	1.0	10	25	159	4.2	0.0*	0.0*	0.0*	4.2
65+, Medicare only	480	2.3	32	58	154	5.2	0.0*	5.5*	0.0*	2.8
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65+, Missing	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<u>Poverty status^e</u>										
Negative or Poor	†	1.0	5	15	172	3.9	3.3	0.1*	5.1	2.1*
Near-poor	†	1.9	11	36	120	5.6	5.0	0.1*	4.2*	1.3*
Low income	†	1.2	7	13	190	2.6	2.6	0.3*	0.7	0.5
Middle income	†	0.9	3	12	591	1.8	1.9	0.5*	0.2	1.1
High income	†	1.0	3	12	787	1.3	1.3	0.0*	0.1*	0.4
<u>Metropolitan statistical area (MSA)</u>										
MSA	†	0.8	3	8	1,006	1.0	1.1	0.2*	0.6	0.5
Non-MSA	†	1.4	5	11	358	2.1	2.0	0.0*	0.7	0.6
Missing	†	2.4*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<u>Census Region</u>										
Northeast	†	1.4	6	23	575	2.0	2.0	0.0*	0.9	1.0
Midwest	†	1.4	4	10	505	2.0	2.1	0.1*	0.5	0.4
South	†	1.1	4	10	583	1.5	1.6	0.0*	0.6	0.5
West	†	1.3	6	16	470	1.9	2.3	0.7*	1.6*	1.2*

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18-44	109,149	1.3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
45-64	54,212	0.3*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
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Near-poor	12,946	1.0*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Low income	40,460	1.2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Middle income	88,262	2.3	550	1,396	2,795	57.4	40.8	0.0*	0.1*	1.7*
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Northeast	51,965	2.3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
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South	93,901	2.0	500	1,221	2,332	70.3	22.3	0.0*	3.1*	4.3*
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<u>Age in years</u>										
Under 65	†	0.2	70	97	827	3.2	3.3	0.0*	0.6*	1.7*
Under 6	†	0.1*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
6-17	†	0.6	207*	126	775	3.5	3.5	0.0*	0.5*	1.8*
18-44	†	0.2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
45-64	†	0.1*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
65 and over	†	0.1*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<u>Sex</u>										
Male	†	0.2	87	156	520	5.2	5.3	0.0*	0.7*	0.6*
Female	†	0.2	97	116	549	3.9	3.7	0.0*	0.8*	2.8*
<u>Race/ethnicity</u>										
White and Other	†	0.2	87	110	801	3.5	3.6	0.0*	0.6*	1.9*
Black	†	0.3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Hispanic	†	0.2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<u>Health insurance status^d</u>										
<65, Any private	4,618	0.2	86	108	803	3.3	3.3	0.0*	0.4*	0.9*
<65, Public only	1,401	0.2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<65, Uninsured	1,394	0.2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
65+, Medicare only	480	0.0*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
65+, Medicare and private	906	0.2*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
65+, Medicare and other public	271	0.1*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
65+, Missing	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<u>Poverty status^e</u>										
Negative or Poor	†	0.3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Near-poor	†	0.3*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Low income	†	0.3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Middle income	†	0.2	148	169	480	4.6	4.7	0.0*	0.1*	0.7*
High income	†	0.3	186*	153	583	5.0	5.0	0.0*	0.1*	3.2*
<u>Metropolitan statistical area (MSA)</u>										
MSA	†	0.2	102	110	797	3.4	3.5	0.0*	0.3*	1.9*
Non-MSA	†	0.3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Missing	†	0.2*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<u>Census Region</u>										
Northeast	†	0.3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Midwest	†	0.3	241*	253	543	4.7	4.8	0.0*	0.5*	0.4*
South	†	0.2	131	126	406	5.1	4.4	0.0*	1.6*	2.7*
West	†	0.3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

- a Expenses for any type of dental providers are included unless noted in title.
- b Private insurance includes CHAMPUS and CHAMPVA (Armed-Forces-related coverage).
- c Other includes other public programs such as Department of Veterans Affairs (except CHAMPVA); other Federal sources (Indian Health Service, military treatment facilities, and other care provided by the Federal Government); other State and local sources (community and neighborhood clinics, State and local health departments, and State programs other than Medicaid); and other public (Medicaid payments reported for persons who were not enrolled in the Medicaid program at any time during the year). Other also includes Worker's Compensation; other unclassified sources (e.g., automobile, homeowner's, liability, and other miscellaneous or unknown sources); and other private insurance (any type of private insurance payments reported for persons without private health insurance coverage during the year, as defined in MEPS).
- d Uninsured refers to persons uninsured during the entire year. Public and private health insurance categories refer to individuals with public or private insurance at any time during the period; individuals with both public and private insurance and those with CHAMPUS or CHAMPVA (Armed-Forces-related coverage) are classified as having insurance.
- e Poor refers to incomes below the Federal poverty line; near poor, over the poverty line through 125 percent of the poverty line; low income, over 125 percent through 200 percent of the poverty line; middle income, over 200 percent to 400 percent of the poverty line; and high income, over 400 percent of the poverty line.
- † Standard error approximately zero because of poststratification to Census Bureau population control tables.
- Less than 100 sample cases.
- * Relative standard error equal to or greater than 30%.

Source: Center for Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality: Medical Expenditure Panel Survey, 1996.